



St. Augustine
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Our heart is restless until it rests in you Lord.

October 8, 2023

Twenty Seventh Sunday



English Blue Book: Page 247

First Reading– Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms– 80: 9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

Second Reading– **Philippians 4:6-9**

Gospel– **Matthew 21:33-43**

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Weekly Readings

***October 9-13: Communion Services ***

Tue @ 6pm: Jon 3:1-10 | Lk 10:38-42

Wed @ 9am: *St. John XXIII, Pope*

Jon 4:1-11 | Lk 11:1-4

Thurs @ 9 :Mal 3:13-20b | Lk 11:5-13

Fri @ 12pm: Jl 1:13-15;2:1-2 | Lk 11:15-26

Twenty-Eighth Sunday Readings

Is 25;6-10a | Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 | Mt 22:1-14

Weekend Mass

SATURDAY, October 14

English Mass @ 5:00 pm

SUNDAY, October 15

English Mass @ 9:00 am

Spanish Mass @ 5:00 pm

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday, October 12

Communion Svc. Spanish @ 7pm

SUNDAY, October 15

English Mass @ 11:30 am

Spanish Mass @ 2:00 pm

Previous Weeks Offerings

	2023	2022
St. Augustine:	\$6,755	\$7,994
St. Eliz Ann Seton:	\$790	\$889

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9am-3pm

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 7

†Susan Bode

Sunday, October 8

†Frances Erickson

Sunday, October 8-St. Elizabeth

Parishioners

Thursday, October 12

For healing of abused victims

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fridays - 11:00am-11:45am | 12:30pm-1pm

Saturday– 3:45-4:45 pm

Cairo -Sunday 11:00-11:30am | 1:15-1:45pm

Or By Appointment- (229) 226-3624

Building Fund

Total Cost of Projects:
\$105,543.00

Your Building Fund Contribution:
\$100,851

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Welcome New Parishioner

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest from God. We hope you will find a loving Christian community. We look forward to benefiting from your uniqueness. To register you can go to our website online, or call the parish office.



Prayer Request

Please remember in your prayers our parish family & friends. If you have anyone in need of prayers, please call the office. Thank you for all your prayers.

Mack Barrentine,	Jim Watts	†JoAnn Humphries	†Bradley Gaupp
Tom Ceccacci	†Rita Ragan	Den Mirabzadeh	†Michael Kress
Alicia Gorosin	†Dolores Williams	Marilyn Funk	†Sergio Cabilao
†Bill Klug	Cayman Diaz	†Katherine Chamberlin	†Jesse Daniel Elias
Linda Nuijten	David McLendon	†Tom Alexander	Mary Anne Dolen
†Chloe Basso	Tiann Taylor	Louis Catlin	Kim Lehman
Phyllis Creager	Becky Catlin	Amanda Caldwell	Minerva Wheedleton
Karon Hales,	†Lisa Fuks	Chris Caldwell	Dot Taylor
†Paul Puskar,	Carina Juarez	Marianne Ellis	Susan O’Neal
Mia Taylor	Todd Taylor	Mary Wise	Thomas & Debbie Dusek
†Jerry Funk	†Jim Fayette	Beverly Boyle	
Jamie Hurst	Bob Dupuy		

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel follows directly after [last Sunday's Gospel](#) in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in [Mark 12:1-12](#). There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbors can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

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“An old Irish proverb says, ‘It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.’ Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to ‘shelter’ them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: uscgb.org/end-of-life-care.”

Join thousands of Catholics praying a Respect Life Month novena Friday, October 13 – Sunday, October 21. Get daily prayers, reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org!





This message involves **both St. Augustine, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and all Spanish Masses.** There will be group photos taken on October 28th at St. Augustine after the 9:00 AM Mass, and Cairo after the noon Mass, for all ministers of our two churches. You really need to attend to show your representation of your parish. All Lectors, Choir Members and musicians of both churches, Ushers, Eucharist Ministers, Religious Ed teachers and leaders, Youth Ministry members and leaders, all Knights, Adoration Group members, Parish Council of St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, all Finance Committee members, all Altar Servers, Shut-In Ministry and Sunday Morning Coffee preparers of BOTH churches.

Masses that weekend:

Saturday October 28-Mass in Thomasville (English) at 5:00 pm
 Sunday, October 29-Mass in Thomasville (Bilingual) at 9:00 am
 - Mass in Cairo (Bilingual) at 12:00 noon

Today's Second Collection	
Southern Cross	October 8
2022 Southern Cross Total Cost	\$1,116.85
Collected	\$662.90



Attention Vietnamese Community

Fr. Peter Hung will be at St. John Vianney Mission Church, Cmailla, to hear Confessions and celebrate Mass for the Vietnamese community on **Sunday, October 22 at 3:00 pm.**



The RCIA program for St. Augustine & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will be on Wednesdays, beginning November 8, from 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm in the Parish Social Hall.

We are also in need of Sponsors who will assist the RCIA candidates seeking initiation into Church, on their spiritual journey.

Please call the Parish Office to register if you would like to attend. We will need your name, phone number and email address (if available) when you call.



The Food bank needs volunteers.

If you are interested please come and fill out an application at 430 N Broad St, Thomasville, GA 31792.

The hours are Monday 3-5:00
 Tuesday 9-12
 Thursday 9-12



Fall Coat Drive-October 1st through November 11th. Check your closet and consider donating clean useable coats for the needy. Coats can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church of the Parish Hall Thanks.!

Join Bishop Stephen D. Parkes for the 

WHITE MASS
For Healthcare Professionals

Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 5:30 pm
 St. Mary on the Hill Catholic Church
Open to people of all faith traditions

Reception to follow
 RSVP: augustacathmed@gmail.com



Behind the education building in St. Augustine, Thomasville. It is a serene environment for our parish community, enlightened. Come and spend a quiet and prayerful time with family/friends to pray with faith and hope in the resurrection, while caring for our deceased loved ones. Persons interested in purchasing a reservation should contact the parish office.

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 Requests due by Monday

Hospital Notifications - Please call the parish office and let us know if you or a direct family member is a patient in the hospital and would like to see a priest or receive the Eucharist. Due to HIPAA laws, stating you are a Catholic on the admittance form will not be given out to the parish. The office number is 229-226-3624. Thank you.

Abuse Hotline Number To report sexual abuse of a minor by a Diocese of Savannah employee or volunteer, call the abuse hotline number at 888.357.5330 or the Office for the Protection of Children & Young People

If you plan to move or change your phone number, please call parish office or stop by to update your records.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

DATE	LECTORS	USHERS
SAT 10/7	David Sofferin	Anne McCudden Julian Pauwels
SUN 10/8	Mark Humphries Sophia Newton	Judy Harden Mark Humphries
SAT 10/14	Coleen Felias	Judy & Rick Marino
SUN 10/15	Joan Farnham David Sullivan	Lory & Gary McEntire



Sponsor Altar Flowers

If you would like to have flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special occasion, please call the parish office.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member/friend, or a deceased loved one, call/visit the parish office. Encourage your family and friends to request Mass intentions.

Social Hall

If you would like use the social hall for an event please call the church office.



Shrine Shop is open!
 If you have any questions, please call
 Kay Kramer
 229-224-7083.

Father's Homilies and Talks are now available on podcasts!
<https://anchor.fm/frgodfred>



- Visit signup.FORMED.org
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- Register your name & email address
- Check that email account for a link to begin using



Please join us for coffee & donuts after Sunday's 9am Mass!



Any Catholic male interested in joining the Knights of Columbus can contact David Sullivan, GK @ (229) 336-3517. or visit kofc.org.

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